JOHN L. WILLIAMS DYING. Father of the Controller of the Currency and Veteran Banker.

John L. Williams, father of John Skelton Williams and the controller's nartner in the banking business and ndustrial enterprises, is dying in his Richmond home. Controller Williams John L. Williams is a southern banker, and aided in financing the Confederacy. He is now more than eighty years old. He has been ill for about

wo weeks. He founded the banking firm of John 1. Williams & Sons, in Richmond, just after the civil war. This concern has after the civil war. This concern has had a large part in developing transportation throughout the south—propositions in which the present controller of the currency, as a partner of his father, had a large concern.

The house financed the establishment of the Georgia railroad, and John L. Williams projected the Atlantic Coast Line. The elder Mr. Williams was also interested in street railway development, and had large interests of this character not only in Richmond, but also in Norfolk and Petersburg.

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## SEA BATTLE RAGES OVER MANY MILES

Survivors' Graphic Account of Sunday's Fight Between British and Germans.

BLUECHER SURVIVOR SAYS FIRE WAS AWFUL

LONDON, January 27.-The Scotsman man bluejacket, a survivor of the German armored cruiser Bluecher, who once lived in the United States.

rors and leading stockholders the Youngstown and Southern Railway Company, operating an electric line between Youngstown and Leetonia, Ohio, has been placed in the hands of a receiver the stockholders the warships were sighted. Thereupon the Germans turned and made for port. The Bluecher, which was comparative-between Youngstown and Leetonia, Ohio, has been placed in the hands of a receiver the stockholders the warships were sighted. Thereupon the Germans turned and made for port. The Bluecher, which was comparative-between Youngstown and Leetonia.

Bluecher, as she was full of holes, but I heard she struck a torpedo. If ,so I heard she struck a torpedo. If ,50 we can thank the torpedo for saving hundreds of lives from the murderous hundreds of lives from the murderous gunfire. When the ship was sinking I jumped clear of her into the terribly cold water, which was full of dead and men with shattered limbs, who were crying for assistance. After being rescued by the British we were warmed, fed and clothed."

The sailor is credited with saying that during the raid on Scarborough the men believed they were taking part in a great naval action which was extending all over the North sea.

### Battle Was Thrilling.

The Scotsman, which is published in Edinburgh, also prints other accounts of the battle as gathered from men engaged in it. They describe it as one of the greatest struggles in naval history and thrilling in every respect. objective was New Castle. The strength of the raiding squadron was quickly ascertained, and as the entire raiding force sheered off immediately after it was discovered the chase was a long one before the guns began their werk.

For forty miles the two fleets raced along over the shortest route for Helgoland before the guns did any real damage. Then the iLon, which was leading, overhauled the slow Bluecher, and, in passing, gave her a broadside, causing frightful damage. The Llondid not wait, however, but continued in pursuit of the fleeing Derfflinger, Seidlitz and Moltke.

Some in Presidence was suggestions from nearly every well known officer in the navy, will be referred back to the navyl affairs committee by Speaker Clark, and after the naval appropriation bill has been disposed of will be taken under consideration by the committee. As it is a matter of the greatest importance to naval officers, inquiry was made today whether Chairman Padgett would endeavor to tack it on the navy appropriation bill as a rider.

Gives Negative Answer.

"There will be no attempt to do so,"

### Pour in Broadsides.

The Tiger, which came next, also poured a broadside into the Bluecher, as did also the Princess Royal, both o which were speeding on to join in the chase of the others. It was already

cruiser in the German line, according to the men interviewed, saw that the fight was likely to be prolonged right up to the mine fields. The Tiger, Prin-cess Royal and Indomitable were now cess Royal and Indomitable were now within range of the large vessels, and the men in the interviews are credited with expressing the belief that they wrought terrible havoc on the German battle cruisers. The fire of the Derffinger and Seydlitz, it is asserted, grew weaker and weaker as the running fight proceeded.

### Derflinger on Fire.

"Within a half an hour's run of the deck, her decks were strewn with

of life. The third vessel in the line was be-lieved to be the Seydlitz, but possibly was the Moltke. It suffered even worse. It came under the Lion's fire and, beit came under the Lion's fire and, besides, received something from the fire
of the Tiger, the Princess Royal and
the Indomitable. She was in a terrible plight. One after another her
guns were smashed and put out of action, and there was great execution
among her crew. She was a silent
ship, steaming desperately for shelter,
with the whole of her afterdeck
ablaze.

### Some Seriously Damaged.

"Meanwhile the Lion was devoting ner attention to the struggle between the light cruisers, using her speed and gunpowder with great effect. She worked in an endeavor to head off the German light cruisers and drive them lown upon the British vessels which were in hot pursit. It was a difficult were in hot pursit. It was a difficult task. Having regard for the large number of ships engaged, the Lion did great damage among them, but they succeeded in escaping. Some of them were seriously damaged. In numerous cases guns had been swept from their mountings and hulls were battered. Many of them will be unfit for action for a long time to come.

"The Biuecher made a gallant fight, but as ship after ship turned its guns upon her with deadly effect her doom was sealed from the first. Her upper works were smashed out of all

upper works were smashed out of all recognition and virtually every gun was put out of action. Shells had been poured from all quarters, spreading devastation and death among her crew.

### Torpedo Takes Effect.

"Just at the close of the action the Arethusa fired a torpedo at the Bleucher which took effect. Her crew leaped overboard as she suddenly heeled over She sank steadily with a slight keel until her decks were awash, and then, with a sudden roar turned over and sank with her flag still flying. As her

sank with her flag still flying. As her keel swung uppermost, scores of swimmers made for it, but that support soon was denied them, as the vessel went to the bottom.

"The British vessels now turned their attention to rescue work, and large numbers of men were picked up. More might have been saved but for a new factor.

factor.

"From the direction of Helgoland came a huge Zeppelin and a number of aeroplanes, which began dropping bombs upon the destroyers engaged in the work of rescue, and which therefore had to abandon their task.

"Thereupon the aircraft followed the disabled ships homeward."

# FINAL CONFERENCE HELD

President Wilson Is Expected to Veto Measure Today or Tomorrow.

President Wilson's final conference on the immigration bill was held at the White House today, when he talked for more than an hour with the conferees of Congress who handled the measure in its last stages. Those preseit were Senators Lodge and Robinson, Representatives Burnett, Sabath and Gardner. The conferees had re-quested the interview for the purpose today publishes the narrative of a Ger- of laying before the President the views of Congress.

The conferees did most of the talkman armored cruiser Bluecher, who once lived in the United States.
The bluejacket said the German fleet was advancing at full speed to attack the English coast when the British warships were sighted. Thereupon the Germans turned and made for port. The Bluecher, which was comparatively slow, made desperate efforts to keep up her maximum speed, but the British overhauled her and opened fire at a range of about ten miles.

"Their Fire Was Awful."

"We were under fire from first to last," the bluejacket continues. "The British centered their fire on us. Their fire was awful. Our guns were put out of action, our decks were swept and our gun crews wiped out.

"One terrible shell burst in the heart of the ship, where many men were killed. I saw five killed by one shell."

"I do not know what finished the Bluecher, as she was full of holes, but I heard she struck a torned. If so ing, but it was manifest to all, at the

# FOR NAVY PERSONNEL

Chairman Padgett of House Committee Submits Bill Drafted by Department Committee.

Chairman Padgett of the naval affairs committee of the House today introduced a bill revising the laws governing the personnel of the navy, the measure having been drawn in the From the position of the German fleet Navy Department by a committee headwhen it was first encountered, the men ed by Assistant Secretary Roosevelt assumed that it is virtually certain its objective was New Castle, The strength of the raiding squadron was quickly known officer in the navy, will be re-

he replied, "as the matter is too large subject, and we are not prepared for it just yet." The naval appropriation bill will be

taken up late today or tomorrow pos sibly.

which were speeding on to join in the chase of the others. It was already a givident at this time, according to the newspaper's informants, that the Bluecher, abandoned by her swifter consorts, was a doomed ship.

The chase already had continued for two hours. The light German cruisers plucklly did their best to cover the fleeing battle cruisers until the task was hopeless, when they followed the example of the big cruisers and devoted their entire powers to getting away.

The bigger ships were now being steadily overhauled and pounded by the British cruisers. The Lion, which had overhauled and smashed a second cruiser in the German line, according

Senator Sheppard Says There Will Be No Avoidable Delay by Committee.

"At the earliest possible opportunit the investigation of the charges ined area," said one of the men, "the against the District excise board and Derfflinger was on fire. Masses of into the manner in which the exercise flames were sweeping her forward law is enforced in the District will be law is enforced in the District will be begun," said Senator Morris Sheppard,

deck, here deckage of the shattered upper works and when she reached the shelter of the mines she had no answer to give to the hail of projectiles which followed the hail of projectiles which followed appointed some one to fill the vacancy appointed some one to fill the vacancy appointed some caused by the withdrawal of Senator Hitchcock I will call the committee together for a preliminary meeting. Senator James

Kentucky, I understand, also desires to be relieved from service on the com-mittee, but he has made no formal re-quest to the Senate in regard to the matter and he may be persuaded to matter and he serve.

"There is no question about the investigation being made. It has been ordered by the Senate, and if it cannot be made immediately, owing to the press of other business, it will be made as soon as the committee can get to it. I hope that we will get to it within a few days."

### GERMAN COMMANDER KILLED.

Col. Seydebreck, Victim of Hand Grenade in South Africa.

CAPE TOWN, via London, January 27 -Col. Seydebreck, commanding the German forces in German Southwest Africa, has been killed at Windhoek according to advices received here. He was examining hand grenades, when one of them was accidentally exploded and caused his death.

### Daniel Moses Commits Suicide. LYNCHBURG, Va., January 27 .- Dan

largest department stores, committee suicide here today by shooting. Mental depression due to nervous trouble is supposed to have been the cause. He was fity-one years old and a native of Baltimore.

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Prices go down to the lowest possible point in this Pre-Inventory Clearance Sale to close out surplus lots, broken lines and few-of-a-kind garments this week. It is economy time for the woman who wants to buy stylish apparel at little cost—these values point the way to the most wonderful money-saving advantages ever known. Read and heed!

\$7 & \$8 Cloth Skirts... \$15 & \$18 Silk Dresses. \$25 & \$30 High-grade Suita 

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50-inch All-wool Storm Serge, close-woven, double-twill quality, in black, navy blue and other

Cook's 75c Linoleum....

Cook's Heavy-weight, Cork-filled Lineleum, 8-quarter width; lengths from 2 to 30 square yards; light and dark colorings and good assortment of designs. Square yard...

\$1.25 Taffeta Silk.....

26-inch Black Taffeta Silks; all silk, extra heavy grade; wear guaranteed; for making coats and street dresses

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Crochet Bedspreads, dou-ble-bed size; in Marselles de-signs

45x36 Bleached Pillowcases, large size; heavy, round-thread

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Large Double - bed Size Comforts, filled with sanitary white cotton; scroll-stitched quilting; covered with finest grade silkolines......

\$15.00 Brussels Rugs.

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12<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>c Flannel...... 27 - inch Bleached Domet Flannel, heavy fleeced quality.

18c Pillowcases......

Children's 25c Stockings.

Children's Fine Ribbed Stock-ings, full fashioned foot, double sole, heel and toe: double knee; fast black and white; sizes 5 to

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Children's Dresses, of per-cales and chambrays, in Russian and long-waisted models; odd sizes, from 2 to 12 years....

Children's 50c Rompers...

Children's Rompers, of heavy galatea cloth, in assorted blue striped effects, with plain color collars and cuffs; sizes 2 to 6 years.

Children's \$1.50 Dresses

Little Girls' Fine Crepe Dresses, pink and blue, with short sleeves and belts; trimmed with braids and buttons; sizes 2

Children's \$1.00 Hats...

Children's Velvet Hats, in blue, black and red, with silk and velvet bands

\$1.25 Gabardine.....

45-inch All-wool I mported Gabardine; one of the most popular fabrics, in black, myrtle, navy, brown, Copenhagen, etc.....

35c Stockings.....

Women's Sample Stockings, seamless and full fashioned foot, double sole, high spliced heel and toe; silk boot, cotton and lisle....

Women's 50c Underwear

Women's "Merode" Sample Underwear, bleached and un-bleached; shirts with high neck, long sleeves, Dutch neck and el-bow sleeves; ankle and knee length pants; light-weight cotton.

50c Union Suits.....

Union Suits, high neck and long

sleeves; ankle-length pants; sizes

4, 5 and 6.....

Women's \$2 Sweaters.

odd sizes only.....

Women's Light-weight Cotton

Small lot of Women's Wool Sweaters, in gray and blue: plain and fancy weave:

Women's \$1.25

Women's 25c and

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Children's \$2 & \$2.50 Coats	15c Water Pails	
brown, with plaid collars and cuffs; also collars of velvet;	Women's 50c Stockings	

Women's Petticoats, of cotton crepe de chine, in yellow, blue and rose; also satine, in mahogany and blue. Slightly mussed.... Silk Petticoats..... Silk Messaline and Taffeta Silk Petticoats; assorted street and evening shades.

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